

## LARGE SHALLOW DISTRICT PROVED

Sand Encountered At 186 Feet South of Sipe Springs, Tex.

Sipe Springs, Tex., Dec. 16.—The Foster No. 1 well of the Kelsey Oil company has encountered a shallow sand at 186 feet and is bailing oil from that depth. This well is of importance as it proves up a large and important territory in the shallow sand district south of here in Comanche county. The drillers are bailing five barrels daily from the well. It will be drilled deeper.

The Foster No. 1 well is three miles southwest of the People's Oil company's Jackson No. 1, the discovery well of the shallow field. The Jackson No. 1 found the first sand at 186 feet. At 250 feet a second sand was encountered which bailed 75 barrels. The drill is 14 feet in this formation of which the exact depth is not known. It is believed that the Foster No. 1 will pick up the same formation around the 250 foot level. If this well finds the second sand it will open up a field where high grade oil can be obtained at little expense.

## 3 NEW WELLS ARE COMPLETED

Bull Bayou Section Gets Additions; Fuel Shortage Halts Operations.

Shreveport, La., Dec. 16.—Bull Bayou has three new completions. The Fortuna Oil company's Push No. 37, is flowing 3000 barrels daily from 2250 feet in section 12-12-11. The Gulf Refining company's section 14-12-11 has completed its Jenkins E-17 and it is making 650 barrels from the same depth; the third well is the Wilkerson No. 4 of the Texas company in 11-12-11 which is making 250 feet barrels from 2300 feet.

A serious fuel shortage is tying up operations in the Bull Bayou district. Gas wells from which drilling operations have been getting their fuel are exhausted. There is plenty of gas in the district, but it is not connected with pipe lines.

The Gulf Refining company encountered a big gas pocket at 2450 feet in its well in section 12-12-11 near Dubach, Union Parish. The drillers will test the sand at once. If it is gasous the well will be reworked as a gas well at the foreclosing depth.

## CASING BREAKS IN COX WELL

Trouble Encountered by Drillers For Oil In Tularosa Valley.

Trouble has been encountered at the Cox well in the Tularosa valley, according to reports reaching El Paso. When down about 200 feet, the drillers attempted to pull the casing, according to the report, and pulled it in two. As the casing was in quicksand, the perforated drilling men say that it will be practically impossible to "fish" the casing from the well as the quicksand will hold it too tightly. Time could be saved, they say, by moving the derrick and starting a new hole, which may be done.

## GET HOLIDAYS BUT MUST PAY

Teachers Quitting School Are "Docked" For Holidays They Have Had.

El Paso teachers with 19 and 20 years' service to their credit, are about to be "docked" pay for four holidays because they are quitting jobs that pay them less than they can get elsewhere.

Several of the teachers in the city schools are planning to leave work for Dr. R. L. Hammy and his board with the beginning of the Christmas holidays and when the payroll were prepared this week, they were made up for these teachers minus four days. These four days were September 1, Labor Day, November 11, Peace Day, and November 27-28, Thanksgiving, and the day following. One of the teachers leaving the service of the city, who is being "docked" for these four days, has been in service 19 years; another for 20 years.

A ruling of the state superintendent of public instruction for Texas, under which all county schools must operate, says that "if a school be closed on a legal holiday, upon order of the trustee, the teacher is entitled to pay for that day."

Notwithstanding the fact that El Paso teachers are to have their pay for legal holidays held back, although all of them have attended district meetings on Saturdays since the term opened, though the state law says schools shall only be taught five days a week and provides that teachers shall receive pay for attending institutes.

As a contrast in the appreciation shown for service, the chamber of commerce, when A. W. Reeves severed his connection with it as traffic manager, granted him three months' salary in advance and when Mrs. Hazel Birdsey left as assistant secretary, she was paid a month in advance.

Teachers' salaries are the smallest paid in any line of work requiring so much preparation.

## Very Important Notice!

The White House will not be open evenings before Christmas. This store has made every preparation for the shopper's convenience. The parcel post sub-station, wrapping and accommodation desks, efficient service and quality goods arrayed for easy selections are inducements the busy shopper should not overlook—Only 7 more shopping days before Christmas.

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More Shopping Days Before Christmas.

Red Cross Seals on Sale.  
—Main Floor.

THE WHITE HOUSE

Parcel Post Sub-Station  
—Main Floor.

## THIRD FLOOR GIFT SPECIALS

For a Busy Day's Selling  
From El Paso's Best Girls' Shop

The Third Floor—the Children's, Junior Girls' and Baby's Best Gift Store—is ready to meet every Christmas demand of the Young Folks. Today we merely quote a few examples of what wonderful values we are offering—Every Day.

## Give Fur Scarfs and Sets A Glorious Christmas Gift



Fur scarfs and sets nicely discriminated to the ages and types of the girls who are to wear them, and in the most favored fashions of the season. Make certain of excellent choice, as our assortments are the largest in the Southwest. Ages 8 to 17 years.  
A Glorious Christmas Special for the Girls

19.98

\$2.50 to \$3.50 Hand Made Pillow Cases—Sizes 12x16 and 13x17. Hand made and embroidered pillow cases for baby and boudoir pillows. Make beautiful gifts.  
Extra special. 1.98  
\$5.95 to \$7.50 Silk Kimonos and Quilted Robes for Children—1 to 14 years. Made of fine oriental silks in light pink, blue, rose and other colors. Make worth while gifts.  
Special. 4.98

\$2.50 Flannel Sacques for Babies—Dainty cashmere, wool crepe and albatross sacques with touches of pink and blue.  
Hand embroidered. Special. 1.98  
"La La Bye" Baby Swings—These useful swings can be hung inside of the house or out on the porch and are just the thing for babies six months and up; each. 1.50  
Baby Shoes—Babies' first shoes, made of white fillet, hand embroidered, pink and blue; \$1.25 value.  
Special. 98c

## Main Floor Specials for Tomorrow Give Silk Sweaters \$35 Upward

These beautiful and practical sweaters make ideal Christmas gifts. No woman's wardrobe is complete without one, and an extra one is always to be desired—so handy. The sweaters featured for tomorrow are of pure thread silk and some are trimmed with fur. Tuxedo, Sailor and Byron collars, vestee fronts, etc. All the popular colors, such as purple, pink, black, navy, turquoise, sky blue, American Beauty, gray, coral, white, henna red, etc.



### Novelty Velvet Handbags

Women's Extra Quality Clifton Velvet Hand Bags in all dark shades, plain and tassel trimmed. Frames are carved ivory with peacock and bird designs, beautifully lined \$12.48 and fully equipped; \$16.50 values; each.

### Men's Handkerchiefs

Men's Novelty Color Bordered Initial Handkerchiefs—100 dozen of the newest in Men's Superfine French Lawn and Japonette. Full size, dainty colored border hemstitched handkerchiefs with embroidered medallion and Longfellow initials. Box of six, \$3.00; each. 50c

## Big Specials From the Second Floor

### Wednesday Only Blanket Robes

This "very extra special" will solve many a gift problem tomorrow and if you intend getting one of these wonderful Blanket Robes for yourself—This timely sale—for one day only—affords an opportunity that may not come again.

Light and dark colors, fancy patterns with various styles of collars, self and ribbon trimmed—pockets and fancy cord sashes.

3.95 val. 4.95 val. 6.75 val.  
3.35 3.95 4.95  
Second Floor.



### Leather and Leatherette Coats

Christmas Gifts de Luxe—these leather and leatherette coats are the season's sensation—and they should be—so practical, so warm, so comfortable—and the special prices—so reasonable. They come in tan, brown and black. In the popular sports and three-quarter length models.

\$30 \$40 \$50

Up to 89.50

—Second Floor.

## Christmas Suggestions From Second Floor

Corduroy Robes, \$4.95 to \$35.00  
Blanket Robes, \$3.95 to \$25.00

Silk Kimonos, \$9.95 to \$65.00  
Silk Petticoats, \$4.95 to \$20.00

Japanese Quilted Robes, \$10.95 to \$25.00  
Japanese Emb'd Robes, \$15.00 to \$50.00

Coming! Big Millinery Sale



STYLISH—but more—QUALITY  
built into them by craftsmen who  
know that Style is rather useless  
unless it is coupled with Durability



## The Price of Pork Chops and Bacon

Here are reasons why the fine, fresh pork tenderloins and pork chops, or savory ham, or crinkly bacon, which you enjoy for breakfast, cost much more per pound than the market quotation on live hogs which you read in the newspaper.

An average hog weighs 220 pounds.

Of this, only 70 per cent (154 pounds) is meat and lard.

So, when we pay 15¢ a pound for live hogs, we are really paying more than 21¢ a pound for the meat which we will get from these animals, even after taking into account the value of the by-products.

But people show a preference for only one-third of the whole—the pork chops, fancy bacon, and choice cuts from juicy hams.

This means that when we are selling Premium bacon at 43½¢ per pound wholesale and Premium hams at 30¢, there are other parts for which we get as low as 6¢ or 8¢ per pound. The net result is an average profit to us of less than 1¢ a pound.

The choice cuts are higher because of a demand for them.

Another thing: Only 35 pounds of the entire hog—or about 1/6 th—is usually marketed at once. The rest must be pickled, cured, or smoked. This takes months, and adds to the costs which must be met.

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### The Young Lady Across The Way



THE young lady across the way says she saw in the paper that straight football won the big games this year and honesty always pays.